

# Texas Department of Public Safety Texas Division of Emergency Management State Situation Report

Event Name	8 May 2015 Severe Weather Event SITREP
Date	05/26/2015
Time	0700
Operational Period	05/25/15 – 05/26/15
Report Number	19

Regions Affected	
DPS Regions Affected	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
DDCs Active	3-Wichita Falls, 4-Hurst, 4-Garland, 6-Tyler, 12-Austin, 14-Lufkin, 16-Houston, 16- Conroe, 16-Houston, 16-Pierce, 16-Texas City, 18-San Antonio, 20-Corpus Christi, 22- Sherman

#### STATEWIDE CURRENT SITUATION:

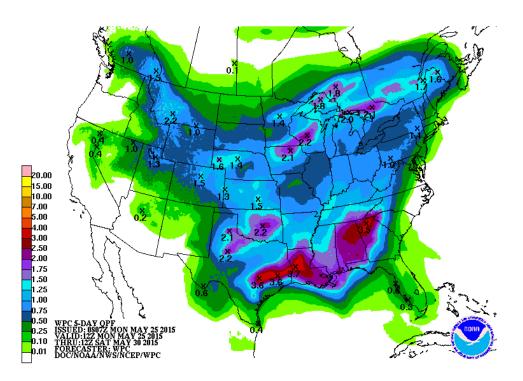
Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued a proclamation certifying that the severe weather, tornado and flooding incident that began on Monday May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015, has caused a disaster in Bosque, Clay, Denton, Eastland, Gaines, Montague and Van Zandt Counties. An updated proclamation added Cooke, Grimes, Hood, Navarro, Smith and Wise Counties on May 15<sup>th</sup>. Effective May 25<sup>th</sup>, Archer, Bastrop, Caldwell, Cass, Collin, Dewitt, Fannin, Grayson, Harrison, Hays, Henderson, Hidalgo, Hill, Houston, Kendall, Jasper, Johnson, Newton, Nueces, Parker, San Jacinto, Walker, Wichita and Wilson Counties were added to an updated proclamation, authorizing further mobilization of state resources to assist impacted communities. Additional counties may be added to the declaration as the situation develops. The SOC continues to conduct daily severe weather conference calls with the National Weather Service Offices, state agency representatives and volunteer organizations at 10:00 am (CDT). The SOC increased its readiness to Level I (Emergency Conditions) at 6:00 am Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>.

Showers and thunderstorms are ongoing over southeastern portions of the state this morning near the Houston metro area and west on Interstate 10. These are expected to move east and out of the state by later this morning.

Much less activity is expected across the state today, but for the storms that do develop, they have the potential to be strong to severe with large hail, damaging winds, heavy rainfall and isolated tornadoes. This is more favored from southwest Texas up through north-central Texas, and, again, should remain fairly isolated in nature.

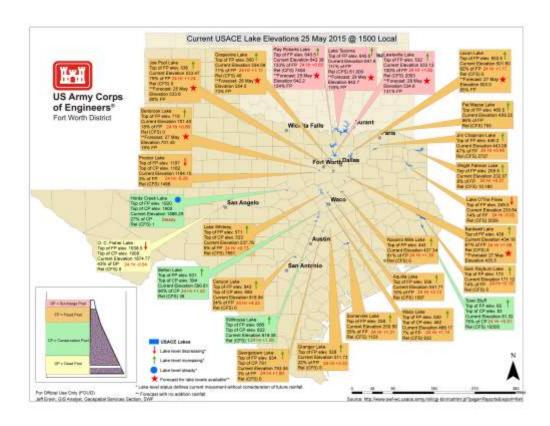
Due to yesterday's heavy rain, there are numerous river points that have quickly risen throughout the state. We are also watching the flood wave from rains that occurred on Saturday night in Wimberley as it moves into the Guadalupe River. It has moved into the Guadalupe River at Gonzales, which crested yesterday and expected to remain in moderate flood due to yesterday's additional rainfall. The Guadalupe near Cuero is expected to reach near 40 feet on Wednesday.

This activity will likely be over eastern and especially northeastern portions of the state by late tonight and continue to shift eastward and weaken as we head into the early morning hours on Tuesday.



5 Day Rainfall Forecast

Current Lake Conditions are reported on attached map, no projected concerns with USACE Lakes at this time all are functioning as designed.

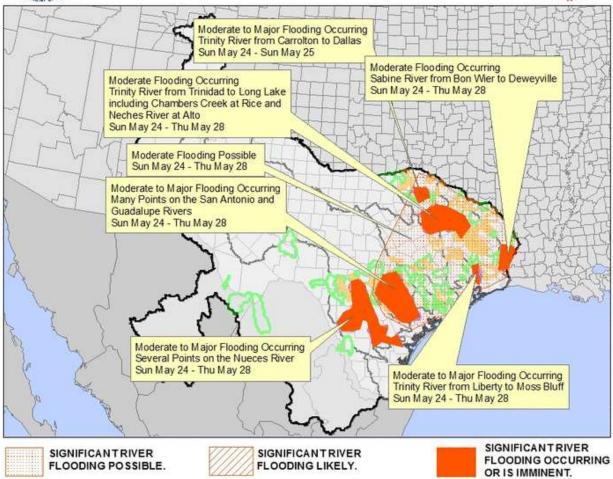




## Significant River Flood Outlook

Valid: 5/24/2015 - 5/29/2015

West Gulf River Forecast Center 5/24/2015 12:36:09 PM



**NWS Houston/Galveston:** Flash Flood Watch has been expanded and extended for portions of Southeast Texas. The threat of heavy rainfall continues through noon. Any storms that form this morning could produce or aggravate ongoing flooding.

**NWS San Angelo:** There is a slight risk of severe thunderstorms today. Large hail, damaging winds and isolated tornadoes are possible this morning and afternoon. Locally heavy rainfall amount may also produce flash flooding on already saturated soils. A FLASH FLOOD WATCH is in effect through this afternoon.

**NWS Amarillo:** Thunderstorms are possible across the Southeast Texas Panhandle from this morning through this afternoon. Severe weather is not expected.

## **Operational Priorities:**

- 1. Protect life and property.
- 2. Support rapid & effective response.
- 3. Collect and disseminate accurate incident information to improve decision-making.
- 4. Accurately track incident costs associated with assigned resources for cost recovery.
- 5. Maintain communication with impacted local jurisdictions.

**Region 1** (Includes DDCs 4, 5, 6, 22)

Disaster assessments continue. Weather conditions are being monitored in the event activation levels might need to be raised.

**DDC 4 Hurst** (Includes Wise, Denton, Palo Pinto, Parker, Tarrant, Hood, Erath, Johnson and Somervell Counties)

DDC Hurst EOC has raised its activation level to Level II (Escalated Response Conditions) in preparation for forecasted severe storms and additional heavy rainfall. Texas Highway Patrol Sergeants in the western part of the District are being prepared and are on standby at the DPS Mineral Wells in case additional assistance is needed. The DDC will be operational at 1 p.m. with the DDC Chair Lieutenant, TPWD, TXMF, and TxDOT.

**Denton County:** Denton County has been scheduled for a Preliminary Damage Assessment (PDA) for Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am.

**Somervell County:** Shelter on standby.

**Tarrant County:** Tarrant County requested 3200 sandbags. The County reported that Bransford Elementary School is closed due to a fire in a classroom yesterday. No injuries were reported. School resumes Tuesday.

**Johnson County:** At CR305-A and HWY 171, a bridge washed away and 6 homes with 20 people are stranded. The people are not injured. Johnson County has a contingency plan to reach people for fire or medical assistance.

Erath EOC stood up to Level III.

**DDC 4 Garland** (Includes Collin, Hunt, Dallas, Rockwall, Kaufman, Ellis and Navarro Counties)

DDC 4 Garland EOC remains at Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions)

#### **Dallas County:**

**City of Farmers Branch:** City of Farmers Branch reported storm damage to buildings, power lines and downed trees.



**DDC 5 Mount Pleasant:** (Includes Lamar, Delta, Hopkins, Franklin, Bowie, Cass, Morris, Titus and Red River Counties)

DDC Mt. Pleasant remains at Level III (Increased Readiness).

Bowie County: A Letter to the Governor and a Disaster Declaration have been submitted.

Cass County: A DSO, Letter to the Governor, and a Disaster Declaration were submitted.

**DDC 6 Tyler:** (Includes Rains, Van Zandt, Henderson, Anderson, Wood, Smith, Cherokee, Camp, Upshur, Gregg, Rusk, Marion, Harrison, Rains and Panola Counties)

Cherokee County: Jacksonville ISD has cancelled classes for Tuesday, May 26th.

**Henderson County:** A Disaster Declaration, amended DSO and Request Letter were submitted.

**Rains County:** Near the City of East Tawakoni a boat house overturned with two people trapped inside. The trapped individuals were rescued and transported to the hospital. There are numerous reports of downed trees and roof damage. Only two injuries have been reported.

Rusk County: Henderson ISD has cancelled classes for Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>.

Van Zandt County: The City of Van and Van Zandt County continue to work on debris removal and support ongoing recovery efforts. The Van Zandt EOC is still active. Damages/Current Assessments: 62 homes were damaged, 56 homes with major damages, 41 homes with minor damage, and 45 homes are still being assessed. An updated DSO was submitted.

**DDC 22 Sherman** (Includes Cooke, Fannin and Grayson Counties)

DDC 22 Sherman remains at Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions)

**Grayson County:** State Highway (SH) 289 has high water and many side streets are impassible due to flash flooding. Lake Texoma's spillway waters crossed over SH 91, which required closing the road.

**Cooke County:** TxDOT has closed FM 922 as a precaution due to water standing across one lane on a curve.

**Region 2** (Includes DDCs 13, 14, 15, 16)

All DDCs in Region 2 are at Level III activation at this time.

**DDC 13 Bryan:** (Includes Leon, Robertson, Madison, Brazos, Grimes, Burleson and Washington Counties)

Grimes County: A Disaster Summary Outline has been submitted.

**DDC 15 Beaumont:** (Includes Hardin, Jefferson and Orange Counties)

**Jasper County:** A Disaster Declaration was submitted.

**DDC 16 Conroe** (Includes Montgomery, Liberty, Waller and Walker Counties)

**Deep River Plantation (Walker County):** Report of livestock unable to reach high ground due to flooding. Livestock were moved to a safe location on high ground and provided hay and feed. Texas Animal Health Commission health inspector assessed the animals' condition.

**DDC 16 Houston:** (Includes Harris and Chambers Counties)

**Harris County:** NWS Houston confirmed an EF-1 tornado in southwest Houston. The tornado damaged roofs of apartment homes. The American Red Cross (ARC) established a shelter for displaced residents at the Chinese Community Center at 9800 Town Park Drive. METRO Transit Authority bused residents to the center that did not have transportation.

**Region 3** (Includes DDCs 19, 20, 21, and 24)

**DDC 20 Corpus Christi:** (Includes Bee, Live Oak, Refugio, Jim Wells, San Patricio, Nueces, Duval, Kleberg, Brooks & Kenedy Counties)

DDC-20 Corpus Christi remains at Level III (Increased Readiness).

**DDC 21 Weslaco:** (Includes Cameron, Hidalgo & Willacy Counties)

DDC 21 Weslaco remains at Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions).

**Hidalgo County:** SH 186 10-15 miles east of US 281 near the Willacy/Hidalgo County line is flooded.

**DDC 24 Del Rio:** (Includes Val Verde, Edwards, Real, Kinney, Uvalde, Maverick, Zavala, Dimmit and La Salle Counties)

Several roads are closed within the district due to flooding.

**Real County:** Heavy rainfall and local flooding in the City of Camp Wood resulted in evacuations for three families. The 1st Baptist Church has been identified as a shelter with the Community Center as back up. A 35 kilowatt generator has been located, and master

electricians have been asked for help in setting up the generator should the need arise. It is anticipated that 80 - 100 persons may have to be evacuated if rains continue. Notifications are being conducted to warn persons of continued eminent flooding. Real County Sheriff's Office (SO) deputies are conducting monitoring efforts and notifications as needed. TxDOT Real District has been contacted for possible assistance with two high profile vehicles. The ARC of Kerrville has been notified and remains on stand by for the official notification from Camp Wood. The Real County EOC remains activated.

Camp Wood (Real County): A Disaster Declaration, and Request Letter have been submitted.

Zavala County: Multiple Farm-to-Market (FM) roadways are closed due to flooding. A Request Letter and Disaster Summary Outline have been submitted. 13 single-family homes sustained minor damage; 45 affected; 2 mobile homes sustained major damage; 2 minor damage; and 5 affected.

Uvalde County: Game Wardens assisted the Uvalde County Sheriff's Office (SO) and Fire Department with the evacuation of 22 persons at 7 Bluffs Ranch with the help of a private pilot who was recruited by the SO to airlift these subjects (see photo. This event began on Saturday at approximately 6:00 p.m., however, Game Wardens were unable to reach the area due to terrain and swift water. Five Game Wardens will be on standby at the Uvalde County EOC until deactivated. There were 23 confirmed rescues in Uvalde County.

Dimmit County: The City of Asherton reported roadway and some residential damage due to flooding. FM 1557 north of Asherton was closed.

Edwards County: The County Judge intends to declare a disaster for storm related damage in the Camp Wood Hills subdivision and the City of Rocksprings. There are numerous road closures in the county.

**Region 5** (Includes DDCs 1, 2, 3, 7)

DDC 1 Amarillo: (Dallam, Sherman, Hansford, Ochiltree, Lipscomb, Hartley, Moore, Hutchinson, Roberts, Hemphill, Oldham, Potter, Carson, Gray, Wheeler, Deaf Smith, Randall, Armstrong, Donley, Collingsworth, Parmer, Castro, Swisher, Briscoe, Hall and Childress Counties)

Wheeler County: Dam safety checks were conducted on the Childress/HWY 183 Dam. The slide is seeping at its base in 4 to 5 locations. The flow is estimated at 1-3 gallons per minute. TCEQ has recommended that the seepage rate be monitored closely and to look for signs of suspended soil and monitor the limits of the slide for additional movement.

**DDC 3 Wichita Falls** (Includes Archer, Baylor, Clay, Cottle, Foard, Hardeman, Jack, Montague, Wichita, Wilbarger and Young Counties)

DDC 03 Wichita Falls remains at Level II (Escalated Response). 20 Highway Patrol Troopers and the DDC Lubbock Captain have arrived to support DDC 3 operations. Two shelters remain open. Super sandbags are being utilized to protect the wastewater plant. A TPWD Game Warden Strike Team of 10 boats have been assigned to the DDC.

Wichita County: 1,500 homes were evacuated in Wichita County and 2,974 homes were evacuated in Wichita Falls. The Wichita River began to recede slightly Sunday, May 24th,

allowing residents in the Tanglewood, Eastside, Wrangler's Retreat and Horseshoe Bend neighborhoods to return home. 863 residences are without power; estimated restoration is 7 p.m. this evening. The two Chinooks deployed to Wichita Falls for Super Sack operations will demobilize today. Several secondary roads remain closed. A Disaster Summary Outline has been submitted. Preliminary Damage Assessment reveals 5 single-family homes with major damage and 375 affected.

**Region 6** (Includes DDCs 11/23, 12, 17 and 18)

**DDC 11/23 Waco** (Includes Bosque, Hill, Freestone, Limestone, McLennan, Falls, Hamilton, Mills, Coryell, San Saba, Lampasas, Bell, and Milam Counties)

**Coryell County:** Tornado touchdown occurred at FM-580 and FM-116 near Pidcoke. Minor flooding is occurring along the Leon Rivers and Cowhouse Creek.

**Lampasas County:** Tornado was reported approximately 3 miles southeast of Lampasas. No reports of damage received at this time.

McLennan County: The McLennan County EOC has activated to Level III.

**Milam County:** Milano ISD schools will start classes at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>. Buses will be running two hours late.

**DDC 12 Austin** (Includes Bastrop, Blanco, Burnet, Caldwell, Fayette, Hays, Lee, Llano, Travis and Williamson Counties)



House Park Stadium (Central Austin/Travis County)

**Activated EOCs for DDC 12 – Austin:** Bastrop Co. Blanco Co. Caldwell Co. Hays Co. Travis Co & Williamson Co.

DDC 12 – Austin has elevated their activation level to Level I (Emergency Conditions). Seventeen major roads are reported closed along with 2,484 residences are without power. City of Blanco (Chisolm Trailer Water) is experiencing water supply issues. Blanco, Hays and Caldwell Counties EOCs are activated.

**Bastrop County:** Bastrop County has submitted a Disaster Declaration and Request Letter. The Bastrop State Park has confirmed the lake dam has failed. Bastrop Co. State Park Damn Breach is under control using local resources. There have been a few water rescues conducted and others in the threat area have been removed from the area. Hwy. 71 @ Tahitian Village is closed with water over the road. No additional resources are being requested at this time.

**Blanco County:** Blanco County has received over 7 inches of rain and is experiencing flooding throughout the County. The EMC has reported several motorists stranded between forks off the Blanco River. Water rescues are on-going. A Disaster Summary Outline and Disaster Declaration have been submitted.

City of Blanco: Chisolm Trail Water has water supply issues.

**Caldwell County:** Twenty-five injuries were reported in Caldwell County and there were 40 evacuees from the City of Luling. There is a mandatory curfew for the City of Luling from 9:00 PM to 6:00 AM. An estimated 1,400 structures are damaged.Caldwell County Judge Ken Schawe has placed all flooded areas near the San Marcos River under a curfew beginning 9:00 p.m. until 7:00 a.m.

**Luling (Caldwell/Guadalupe County):** Luling ISD has delayed schools opening until 10:00 a.m.

**Hays County:** A Disaster Declaration has been submitted. There are approximately 1220 evacuees from low lying areas in Hays County. Approximately 40 homes are destroyed, 70 washed away and 400 impacted by flooding. The Hays County Jail evacuated 220 inmates. There is a curfew in Hays County from 9:00 PM to 7:00 AM. The County has reported 5 injuries, 1 fatality, and 3 missing. Hays Independent School District schools are all open; none were affected by floodwaters. Two shelters remain open and two are closed. As of 12 p.m., 1,661 customers remained without power due to widespread storm damage. Hays County/San Marcos Joint EOC is at Level II response. An Incident Action Plan (IAP) has been submitted

**City of Wimberley:** An estimated 350 homes were fully submerged. Wimberley High School closed as Red Cross shelter; being absorbed by TMF as a staging area.

**Dripping Springs:** In Dripping Springs a swift water rescue was reported for an individual trapped on top of their vehicle. An emergency shelter has been opened in Dripping Springs at the Rooster Springs Elementary School.

**City of San Marcos**: Approximately 550 properties and 1130 structures were impacted by flooding. One fatality was reported. A mandatory curfew has been set in place for the City of San Marcos from 9:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. A temporary shelter is available at the San Marcos Activity Center. TFS IMT has moved into the San Marcos Police Department.

**Travis County:** The Austin –Travis County EOC has been activated to level 1 due to severe weather.

**City of Austin:** The National Weather Service has confirmed that an EF-1 tornado touchdown occurred in North Austin. Two emergency shelters have been opened at the South Austin Recreation Center and NW Fellowship Church for individuals affected by flooding. The Austin Fire Chef has issued a Waterway ban for all creeks to last through noon Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Williamson County:** The National Weather service has confirmed that an EF-1 tornado touchdown occurred in the Gabriels Overlook Subdivision. Damage Assessments were expected to begin at approximately 2 p.m. Monday afternoon. The EOC received damage reports, but the full extent of damages is not yet known. The Williamson County EOC activated at 8:30 p.m. and closed at 7 a.m. Sunday night. Rescue activities included one water rescue from a vehicle on CR 279 between Leander and Liberty Hill. Voluntary evacuations occurred in Liberty Hill in the areas of RM1869 and CR279, CR299 and CR214. Additional voluntary evacuations occurred in Florence along Beck Street. No shelters were established as most persons elected to remain sheltered-in-place. Numerous roads remain closed. A Disaster Declaration has been submitted.

**City of Round Rock:** A temporary shelter at Clay Madsen Rec Center has been opened.

**DDC 17 Victoria** (Includes Gonzales, Lavaca, Jackson, Victoria, DeWitt, Goliad and Calhoun Counties)

Victoria County: Moderate flooding of the Guadalupe River is ongoing.

**DDC 18 San Antonio** (Includes Gillespie, Kerr, Bandera, Medina, Frio, Kendall, Comal and Guadalupe Counties)

**Frio County:** Game Wardens, San Antonio Fire Department (FD) and Pearsall FD rescued 4 individuals from a vehicle that was swept from the roadway in Moore Hollow Creek.

**Gillespie County:** A tornado touched down in the County approximately 6 miles east of Frederiscksburg. Currently, the only major reported is to one of the pump houses of a city well. Extensive damage to power lines and trees also reported. No injuries have been reported at this time.

DDC 18 ARCC/Bexar (Includes Bexar, Wilson, Karnes, Atascosa and McMullen Counties)

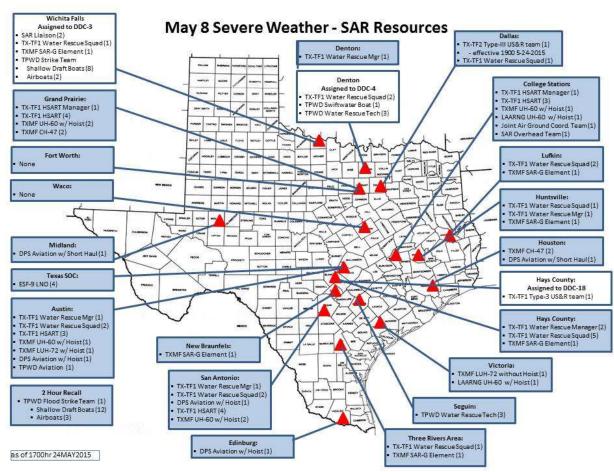
**McMullen County:** Moderate flooding of the Nueces River is ongoing.

Wilson County: A DSO and Disaster Declaration were submitted.

# RESPONDING STATE AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS

Texas Task Force 1 (TEEX/TX-TF1): Twelve State of Texas Swift Water Rescue Squads have been activated, and are available in Austin, San Antonio, Three Rivers, Huntsville, Lufkin, College Station, Dallas, Denton County and Wichita Falls. Four Swift Water Rescue Managers have been activated. A Type-III US&R team is in College Station. A Type II US&R team was activated and staged in Wimberley. The Joint Air Ground Coordination Team (JAGCT) and SAR Overhead are in College Station. Thirteen Helicopter Search and Rescue Teams (HSARTs) and 4 HSART Managers are in Grand Prairie, College Station, Austin and Martindale. Supporting on-going swift water rescues. Additional SOC Liaisons were requested.

Aircraft operations are scheduled during daylight hours



**Texas Taskforce 2 (Dallas Fire Rescue/TX-TF2):** Tx-TF2 Urban Search and Rescue (US&R) was activated in support of flooding operations and are staged in Dallas.

**Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS):** DPS continues to monitor severe weather conditions consisting of tornado warnings, flooding, heavy rain and road closings. A trooper response roster is being maintained for all six regions, has been prepared for troopers to respond to possible flooding and road closures for the upcoming week. Each regional roster is comprised of 50 troopers and 5 sergeants per region. Twenty-one Highway Patrol Troopers arrived at DDC Wichita Falls to support the DDC and are standing by.

#### **Aviation assets:**

Five SAR helicopters, 3 hoists and 2 short hauls are available for the SOC. One in San Antonio (hoist), 1 in Austin (hoist), 1 in Edinburg (hoist), 1 in Houston (short haul) and 1 in Midland (short haul). DPS also has 1 fixed-wing asset with downlink capability that could send live footage into the SOC (weather dependent). All missions and assets have been added to the Aviation Board in WebEOC. Local helicopters are available in Austin, Dallas, and San Antonio.

Texas Military Forces and Louisiana Military Forces operations for military forces aircraft (daylight hours only) are 7:00 am-6:30 pm, first shift; and 9:00 am-8:30 pm, second shift.

DPS reported no changes. Search and recon helicopters are available for activation. During the time when JAGCT is not open, the Air Liaison may notify DPS communications of pending missions for dispatch of aircraft.

Air Operations Center (AOC) is operational during daylight hours at Camp Mabry.

TPWD aircraft remains active from the Austin area for recon missions.

Joint Air/Ground Coordination Team will be active daily from 6:00 am – 8:00 pm.

**Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM):** TDEM personnel have been actively responding to this severe weather and flooding event. DC Capitol and DC 11/23 - Waco are deployed to DDC 12 – Austin to support DDC operations. DC 07 – Abilene deployed to Wichita Falls. DC 13 – Bryan deployed to DDC Garland.

TDEM Disaster Finance Coordinator – Region 5 is assisting the SOC Finance Section with calculation of state agency response costs. Regional Disaster Finance staff have deployed to Wichita County to assist with disaster cost documentation.

Texas Military Forces (TXMF): TXMF has activated a total of 275 personnel, 81 vehicles and 14 aircraft in support of the 2015 May 08 Severe Weather Event. Texas Military Forces has 6 Aerial Transportation Package staged in Grand Prairie, Bryan, Austin, Houston, Victoria and San Antonio in support of Tx-TF1. One Ground Transportation Package is assigned to DDC 4 (Hurst) staged in Denton, Granbury and Cleburne. Additionally two Search and Rescue (SAR) Companies and 2 Ground Transportation Packages are supporting Tx-TF1. One Ground Support Package is stationed in Bastrop. One SAR Company is positioned in Yoakum, Huntsville and Lufkin. The other SAR Company is positioned in Waco, New Braunfels and Three Rivers. Texas Military Forces is supporting the SOC with 8 personnel to supplement the Plans Section and 5 personnel to support the Logistic Section in the Intake Group. Military District Coordinators (MDCs) have been activated in Wichita Falls, Tyler, Garland and Hurst.

TXMF continues to support on-going evacuation operations in Hays and Caldwell County.

TxDOT has moved the sandbags (Super Sacks) and slings to College Station, where they will be palletized then moved to Grand Prairie and Ellington Field, to stage near the Chinooks. Once a response is required, they will deploy and establish a sandbag filling and sling-load site, close to the impacted area.

Resource Kind and Type	Qty	# Personnel	Status	Resource Location
Ground Support Package	1	24	Assigned	Denton/Granbury/ Cleburne
Aerial Transportation Package (2x UH-60's)	2	7	Assigned	Grand Prairie
Aerial Transportation Package (2x CH-47's)	2	4	Available	Grand Prairie
Aerial Transportation Package (2x UH-60's)	2	4	Assigned	San Antonio
Aerial Transportation Package (2x CH 47's)	2	10	Assigned	Ellington Airfield
Aerial Transportation Package (2x UH-60's)	2	14	Assigned	Ellington Airfield
Aerial Transportation Package (2x UH-60's)	2	8	Assigned	College Station & Victoria (EMAC-LA Military Forces)

Aerial Transportation Package (1x UH-60) and (1 LUH-72)	2	7	Assigned	Austin (ABIA)
Air Coordination Group	1	2	Assigned	College Station
Military District Coordinator (MDC)	1	1	Assigned	Tyler
Military District Coordinator (MDC)	1	1	Assigned	Hurst
Plans Section Support Team (TXSG)	1	8	Activated	DPS SOC
Ground SAR Package	1	84	Activated	Lufkin/ Huntsville/ College Station
Ground SAR Package	1	84	Activated	Three Rivers/Wichita Falls/New Braunfels/Waco
SOC Plans Support Team (TXSG)	1	5	Activated	DPS SOC

**Texas Wing, Civil Air Patrol (CAP):** Twenty-six single-engine Cessna aircraft and 1 Gippsland GA8 is available across the state.

**Texas A&M Forest Service (TFS):** TFS continues to staff Emergency Services Branch at the SOC filling the roles of Emergency Services Branch Director, Deputy Emergency Services Branch Director, and TFS ESF-4. DDC 6 Tyler has a TFS representative continuing to assist with daily DDC situation reports working remotely from the TFS office. The Liaison is assigned to the Joint Air/ Ground Coordination Team. DDC 4 Hurst has 2 TFS representatives assisting the planning function. IMT Planning Team has reported to Wichita Falls. They are reporting resources from TDEM, TEEX, TAHC, ARC, TXMF, TxDOT, and DPS.

Resource Kind and Type	Quantity	# Personnel	Status	Resource Location
SOC Staff	1	5	Assigned	Austin
Liaison Officer at JAGCT	1	1	Assigned	College Station
IMT Planning Section	1	9	Activated	Wichita Falls
Transport Sandbagging Ops	1	2	Activated	San Antonio
Transport Sandbagging Ops	1	2	Activated	Wichita Falls
Transport Sandbagging Ops	1	2	Activated	Pharr
Transport Sandbagging Ops	1	2	Activated	Tyler
GIS Staff	1	3	Activated	Austin

Texas Parks & Wildlife Department (TPWD): Game Wardens statewide remain on standby with equipment for flood response. One Game Warden Strike Team consisting of 22 Game Wardens, 3 airboats and 12 shallow draft boats are on standby in the Travis County area. 20 Game Wardens and 10 boats are staged and activated in Wichita Falls. Currently in Wimberley, TPWD has 12 Game Wardens actively engaged in attempting to locate unaccounted for persons at residences along the Blanco River. Responders have not been able to reach them by land to verify their welfare. TPWD helicopter and river boat teams are currently dropping Game Wardens onto the ground in residential and rural areas to accomplish this mission. Tx-TF1 has arrived on scene and anticipates taking over ongoing operations today. In Hays County last night, Game Wardens responded to 40 to 50 emergency calls for service, including

multiple swift water rescues. The region's focus for today will be assisting in the Mardindale area of Caldwell County.

Supporting on-going swift water rescues in Hays and Blanco Counties. Assisted Uvalde County with overnight evacuations in the 7 Bluffs Ranch area. 8 Game Wardens are assisting with flood response operations in Wimberley with 2 SAR boats. TPWD A-Star Helicopter is assigned to Wimberley. 5 Game Wardens in region 5 were involved in multiple rescues of stranded motorists overnight.

Qty	# Personnel	Status	Resource Location
1	3	Activated	Garland/Hurst DDC
1	3	Activated	Seguin
1	22	Standby	Central Texas/Travis County
1	2	Activated	Austin
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Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ):

BNSF Train Derailment (Cook County): TCEQ continues to monitor the clean-up activities.

Athens Fish and Game Club Lake Dam (Henderson County): TCEQ Dam Safety Engineers continue to monitor the situation.

**Sherwin Alumina (San Patricio County):** Sherwin continues to transfer water from the Raw Water Lake (RWL) to WQ Permit Outfall 001. There if been no critical issues observed regarding the lake levee. The pH of the discharge through the outfall has been less than 8.0

Lewis Creek Reservoir (Montgomery County): TCEQ was onsite with Entergy engineer to look at the stabilization efforts. No new slide or seepage activity was noted. Entergy has stabilized 3 of the 4 more serious slide areas. Entergy is currently working on stabilizing another slide which currently 50% complete. Of the 8 slide events that have occurred since the current rain event, 3 have been stabilized in the last 48 hours with lime and fly ash, as well as compacted. The other slides nearest the spill way have been covered with tarps, sandbagged and have established wooded 'matting' across the muddy toe are to provide access to the base of the slides.

The COE geo-tech engineer appears to be satisfied with their efforts and stabilization process. Entergy has indicated their main concern for the next few days is that new heavy rains could cause additional slides on the dam structure. Entergy is presently lowering the lake at a rate of 12 inches per 24 hrs. (This does not account for inflow). Entergy had personnel monitoring the dam overnight. As a precaution, TDEM placed a Chinook Helicopter on standby at nearby Ellington Field, should it be needed to help contain a dam breach. Super sacks (the large sand bags) have already been staged onsite. Montgomery County has issued a mandatory evacuation for those areas in the inundation area below the dam. Entergy will be sending out sent a press release discussing the progress of stabilization efforts.

**Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT):** Four 2-man teams were deployed to assess bridge structures impacted by flooding in the western areas of the Austin District. No significant damage was found. However, based on the inspections, it is recommended that Rural Route

(RR) 12 over the Blanco River north of Wimberley remain closed. Many roads are still closed due to flooding and others are damaged. Crews worked to clear roads of debris and work areawide was completed by early evening on Sunday. Inspections are ongoing. No damages have been identified in Caldwell County at this time, but as water recedes today, assessments and cleanup will begin. RM 165 and RM 2766 are closed indefinitely due to bridge washout and pavement and embankment washout. Additional PCMS and barricades were placed at these locations yesterday. Cleanup and assessments will continue today. IH27 @ McCormick Road SB exit was reopened vesterday in the Amarillo District. FM293 in Carson County east of Panhandle remains closed, and a cleanup crew out of Panhandle Maintenance Section is en route to inspect and clear the road. It will be reopened once this has been completed. TxDOT is monitoring the river levels and are ready to respond. The SAR team arrived last night, and have set up a base camp at TxDOT's district headquarters. Crews responded to Harrison County where a tornado that touched down caused downed trees on several FM roads. An 18wheeler that was blown on its side forced the temporary closure of EB IH20 until it was removed. No other damages were reported. The major flooding on the Red River will affect US 259 and SH 8 in Bowie County. Liberty sandbagging operation will resume tomorrow. Currently, 160 pallets of filled sandbags are in Liberty. The Super Sack Team is ready for deployment. Four roads are closed in the Bryan District due to high water. FM 696 in Burleson County is closed due to culvert washout. A contractor will be mobilized today and begin repairs on Tuesday if the water has receded. Denton County had 1 personnel and 1 vehicle out overnight. Several roads remain closed in the Laredo District due to water overtopping the roadway. All other roadways remain open. FM1310 in Grayson County remains closed due to water over the road coming from Lake Texoma, from their emergency spillway. SH91 is closed due to flooding. FM71 in Hopkins County remains closed at the Sulphur River with water over the road. Many roads remain impacted throughout the state and TxDOT continues to monitor and respond as needed.

**Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS):** Monitoring flooding activity for any ESF-8 resource requests. Local Assets has established lillypad for SAR evacuated persons. EMTF 7 is supplying one AMBUS and one Type V (1 Nurse Practitioner and 2 Registered Nurses) as well as one Medical Incident Support Team (M-IST) single resource. Evacuate 14 individuals at this time via one (1) DPS rotary and two (2) Blackhawks. Estimate 60-100 total individuals to be evacuated. No requests for state health and medical services at this time.

Resource Kind and Type	Qty	# Personnel	Status	Resource Location
SOC Liaison	1	1	Assigned	SOC
HSR Liaison	1	1	Assigned	DDC-Tyler

**Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS):** DADS continues to monitor the situation and reach out to residential healthcare facilities that may be impacted. DADS is in communication with Riverview Nursing Facility in Boerne, Texas and has deployed a surveyor to check on the condition of the facility, which has not evacuated. They have power, supplies and staff on hand. DADS continues to report to SOC for this severe weather event activation.

**Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ):** The TDCJ has provided an additional 170 pallets to the Liberty TxDOT location for sandbag operations and also provided the transport. Sandbag operations continue at the Rusk, Huntsville, and Liberty locations. TDCJ Wardens and the local TxDOT personnel are determining work schedules. TDCJ has not experienced any flooding and has no unmet needs.

**Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service:** Certain Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service personnel have been demobilized. One Emergency Management Specialist is performing agency emergency coordination and reporting; one Agricultural Communications Specialist is participating on the State Agency Public Relations Joint Information Command remain active on the incident.

**Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC):** 

Energy Company	Outages Reported
Austin Energy	742
Oncor	1,349
AEP Texas	120
CenterPoint	997
Bluebonnet	1
Entergy	21

**Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) including 2-1-1:** Health and Human Services Commission along with 2-1-1 continues to monitor the situation and to monitor for office closures. They are on standby to conduct damage assessments if needed. Two HHSC personnel are on site at the SOC.

**2-1-1** is referring the Webster (Bay Area) residents affected by flooding to go to the United Way Bay Area Service Center to speak with a Red Cross worker for assistance. Also, Nueces County residents are being directed to the County Commissioner's Office to report damage to their home or businesses. 2-1-1's Area Information Centers (AICs) have continued to stay in contact with local emergency management entities in their area to be aware of local resources.

**2-1-1** Specialists are prepared to refer callers to the *Safe and Well* registry and the *DriveTexas* website, or to assist callers in the use of these resources. They are also prepared to refer callers as appropriate to currently available mass care shelters.

**Texas Department of Insurance (TDI):** Texas Department of Insurance (TDI) distributed information to media outlets and social media advising that consumers can get help with filing their insurance claims by calling the Consumer Help Line **800-252-3439**. TDI also updated the Texas State Disaster Coalition, comprised of representatives from insurance companies, industry groups, state agencies and volunteer groups, about this severe weather event. TDI continues to staff the SOC.

**Texas Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD):** Texas VOADs were active yesterday in Cisco, Denton and Van. Texas VOAD held an 11:00 am conference call to discuss the current events, unmet needs and on-going actions. The MARC in Wichita Falls will be open May 24<sup>th</sup> from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m.; it will be opened from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. May 25<sup>th</sup> thru May 29<sup>th</sup>.

Operational information from specific VOAD agencies follows:

**American Red Cross (ARC):** ARC Disaster Relief operations are headquartered in Dallas. ARC is providing sheltering, feeding, damage assessments, and case management as requested. A breakdown of activities follows:

**Mass Care Sheltering:** The ARC continues to support shelter operations in affected communities. Shelters have been pre-identified in locations with the potential for impact. Supplies are staged and workers are on standby. Shelter status as of 1:30 AM May 23<sup>rd</sup>:

Shelter Name	Location	City/County	Population
Hirschi High School	3106 Borton St	Wichita Falls/Wichita	2
Recreational Activity Center	N 3 <sup>rd</sup> & Business 287	Iowa Park/Wichita	0
Burkburnett Community Center	735 Davy Drive	Burkburnett/Wichita	0
Midwestern State University Sikes Lake Building	3410 Taft Blvd	Wichita Falls/Wichita	3
Lone Star Community Center	2500 Lone Star Parkway	Montgomery/Montgomery	41
San Marcos Activity Center	501 E. Hopkins	San Marcos/Hays	63
Animal (Pet)		Wichita Falls/Wichita	24
Northwest Fellowship Church	13427 Pond Springs Rd	Austin/Williamson	0
Luling Jr High Gym	204 S. Hackberry Ave	Caldwell/Luling	0
Wimberley High School	100 Carney Rd	Hays/Wimberley	2
Chinese Community Center	9800 Town Park	Houston/Harris	39
Kennewick Community Center	224 FM 2792	Liberty/Dayton	0

#### Feeding

Feeding is ongoing in shelters with populations. Snacks and water are being distributed at service centers and through mobile distribution.

**Bulk Distribution**: Supplies were distributed in multiple affected areas throughout the state. **Reunification** 

The Texas Flooding and Tornado Event remain active on the Safe and Well ( <a href="https://safeandwell.communityos.org/zf/safe/add">https://safeandwell.communityos.org/zf/safe/add</a> ) website for individuals and organizations to share their safety messages.

**Preparedness:** Materials on recovery and preparedness are being distributed in affected areas.

**Recovery:** Service Centers were opened in Webster, Van and Bowie for impacted residents. Services are being provided in other affected areas as needed.

**External Relations:** DigiDOC is activated, gathering and relaying social media information.

**Damage Assessment:** ARC continues with Damage Assessments newly affected counties and shares numbers with TXVOAD, TDEM and FEMA.

**Staffing:** Across the state we had 59 employees and 281 volunteers dedicated to this disaster response yesterday, working 590 hours and 2810 hours respectively.

**Adventist Community Services:** Mobile Distribution Unit will be placed in the parking lot of Central Texas Medical Center, 1301 Wonder World Dr., San Marcos, TX 78666. Adventist Community Services will have pre-packaged clothing outfits, personal care kits, blankets, and sheets available and a limited numbers of clean up buckets also. It will open at 10 a.m. Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Southern Baptists of Texas Convention (SBTC) - Disaster Relief Ministry**: SBTC has Feeding Units, Recovery Units, Command Unit, Shower Units, IMT Team, Assessment Team, and Chaplain Team on standby or activated as indicated in the following table. 1 Shower Unit is activated in Yoakum to support TTF-1 base camp. All units/teams demobilized from Van on 22May2015.

Resource Kind and Type	Qty	# Personnel	Status	Resource Location
Feeding Unit	1		Standby	Gainesville
Feeding Unit	1		Alerted	Gainesville
Feeding Unit	1		Standby	Wimberley
Recovery Unit	1		Standby	Wimberley
Recovery Unit	1		Activated	Wimberley
Shower Unit	1		Activated	Wimberley
Chaplain Team	1		Activated	Wimberley
IMT Team	1		Activated	Wimberley
Command Unit	1		Activated	Wimberley
Assessment Team	1		Activated	Wimberley
Shower Unit	1		Activated	Yoakum to support
				TTF-1 base camp
Volunteers	3	_		30 hours

**OneStar Foundation's AmeriCorps\*Texas Program:** OneStar Foundation is providing a SOC Liaison to represent Texas VOAD.

#### Agencies Participating at the MARC:

**Texas Baptist Men:** Operations have been completed in Van, Cisco, Denton, Mineral Wells, Celina, Bridgeport, Grayson County, Robstown, Runaway Bay, Somerville, and Aubrey. Resources are being mobilized for response in Wichita Falls. Incident command bus and other resources should be on site Wednesday, May 28<sup>th</sup>. Performed some Mud-out work in Krum; waiting for water to recede. Feeding operations will begin in Wichita Falls for those under mandatory evacuation on Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>. Two Feeding units are on alert for possible deployment. Total Volunteer Hours for the Operational Hours: 70. Wichita Falls Chainsaw crews, Mud-out crews sent to Wimberly.

**Wichita Falls**-The American Red Cross has requested a field kitchen; operation date has not been decided at this time. TBM are preparing for mud out operations and preparing mobile command post to respond.

**The Salvation Army (TSA):** TSA continues to have a liaison present at the SOC to monitor any requests and coordinate with other State agencies and voluntary agencies.

**Banquete:** Corpus Christi Corps Canteen located at Banquete Jr. High School provided 60 meals. Total of 15 volunteer hours on May 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Bridgeport:** Dallas - Fort Worth Area Command located at Bridgeport mobile home community on 920, served 30 meals / 100 snacks / 150 drinks / 12 hygiene kits / 19 bibles from 5/20-5/21 / 19.5 volunteer hours on May 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Wichita Falls:** Wichita Falls Corps Canteen, San Angelo Corps Canteen, DFW Metroplex Command Canteen, and Midland Corps Canteen are active in Wichita Falls. Canteens provided 189 meals, 247 beverages on May 22<sup>nd</sup> and 1,089 meals, 2,137 drinks and 148 snacks on May 23<sup>rd</sup>. TSA Wichita Falls Lodge has a shelter capacity of 135 and will open during this event. Head count: 39 May 22<sup>nd</sup>; 41 May 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Laredo:** Laredo Corps (408 Matamoros, Laredo, TX 78040) is supporting shelters in Cotulla and Crystal City.

**Houston:** Houston Area Command will be providing meals at the American Red Cross Shelter (Lone Star Community Center, 2500 Lone Star Parkway, Montgomery, TX 77356) beginning at 6 a.m. May 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Austin:** TSA Austin Area Command will be providing meals at two shelters in San Marcos (Hernandez Elementary School, 333 Stagecoach Trail, and San Marcos Activity Center, 501 E. Hopkins St.).

**New Braunfels:** New Braunfels Corps is standing up response operations to support shelters in the area. Service Extension Regions 2 and 3 (Northeast Texas/Central West Texas rural communities).

**Tyler:** Tyler Corps is continuing to provide assistance in Van Zandt and Smith Counties.

TSA has determined no unmet needs at this time. Total volunteer hours this operational period: 5 volunteers for 15 hours.

**Feeding Texas:** East Texas Food Bank (ETFB) – Providing an SOC Liaison to represent Texas VOAD. Continues to support the community of Van with collection, sorting and storage of donated food product.

<u>Wichita Falls Area Food Bank</u>: Food Bank helped approximately thirty families yesterday at the multi-resource center. The multi-resource center is open from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. today and then all week from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. The food bank has requested community/public donations of microwavable foods and baby diapers. The food bank will be open tomorrow, May 25<sup>th</sup> to receive the donations.

Resource Kind and Type	Qty	# Personnel	Status	Resource Location
Liaison	1	1	Active	SOC
Shelter	1		Stood down	Corsicana
Shelter	1		Stand-by	Laredo
Mobile Kitchen	2	4	Active	Van
Trailer 52'	2		Active	Van
Mobile Kitchen	1		Active	Banquette

**Air Land Emergency Resource Team (ALERT):** Seven ALERT men worked on tree removal with chainsaws and tarping roofs in Van.

**Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC):** TxDOT received three sandbagging machines from the State of Louisiana and were delivered to the Beaumont District. The Beaumont District then deployed the machines to Liberty, Huntsville and Rusk.

Two UH-60 helicopters were deployed to Texas from the Louisiana National Guard. They have been staged at Ellington Air Field in Houston.

**Public Utility Commission (PUC):** PUC reports that, as of 4:00 A. M. Tuesday, there are scattered power outages across the state. CenterPoint reports 71,894 customers without power, Oncor – 26,762, AEP SwepCo – 19,937, Rusk EC – 12,200, Bluebonnet – 2,548, Pedernales Electric Coop – 500 and Austin Energy – 98 for a total of 139,771 customers without power.

**FINAL COMMENTS:** The State Operations Center (SOC) is at Level I (Emergency Conditions). The SOC held a severe weather event conference call with the National Weather Service and State agency representatives at 10:00 am (CDT) yesterday morning. The Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) continues to monitor the situation and will provide additional situation reports as needed.

#### The four levels of SOC activation are:

Level I (Emergency Conditions)

Level II (Escalated Response Conditions)

Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions)

Level IV (Normal Conditions)

This Situation Report can be found on the TDEM webpage at www.txdps.state.tx.us/dem.

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